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Tuesday
December 16, 1952

Staff meeting.

I talked to Reed Harris about IIA.

Tommy Corcoran came to see me about certain of his professional activities.

Bishop Dibelius, Bishop of Berlin and Brandenberg, called on me with Jimmy Riddleberger. He is a [redacted] vigorous and interesting prelate.

I was host at lunch today for Generalissimo Rafael L. Trujillo of the Dominican Republic. In spite of his reputation as one of the most formidable dictators [redacted] Latin America has ever produced, he was on this occasion [redacted] mild, genial and full of humor.

The Danish Ambassador and his lawyer, Mr. Laylin, came to the office, where I had Messrs. Trivers, English, Barringer and Tate. We talked about the Danish ship matter.

We had dinner tonight with Lolly and Gates Lloyd. The others were her brother and sister-in-law (Mr. and Mrs. Barnes), Johnny Bross and his wife, and Mrs. Thomas Leiter.

I have had compiled for Foster Dulles a record of the times [redacted] at least in my own case, the Under Secretary must be the 'cting Secretary. Out of the 265 days which I shall have served here up through December 21, I shall have been 'cting Secretary for 114 days. He must consider this in connection with what I have heard he has under consideration, namely the appointment of someone to this position as a sort of General Manager of the Department.

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